

SAGSC
Southern Area General Service Committee
January 8th, 2023

OPEN WITH SERENITY PRAYER
WELCOME NEW GSRs & DCMs

REPORTS

SECRETARY REPORT: LIBBY

Hi, my name is Libby, and I am your alcoholic SAGSC Secretary, and the Alternate Area 42 Secretary. As described in my job description I get the joy of doing the minutes for SAGSC. I was out of town over the holidays and trying to get caught up on all the things I'm supposed to be doing. It seems like there is a lot to learn and I get to practice not panicking. I will be attempting to record the meeting to help me with doing the minutes. Don't worry, the recording will never leave my possession and will be erased as soon as I'm done. I'd like to thank Claudia for her doing the November minutes before she moved away and having them translated. That was a relief not to have to do them. For those who didn't turn in a written report please send those to me as soon as possible. I'll need to get them translated and into both the English and Spanish minutes. I'm working on getting rosters together and need contact information for several people. I'll reach out to you to get the information. If anyone has any questions or comments, feel free to reach out to me. Thank you for letting me be of service.

APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 2022 MINUTES X approved* ____ not approved

*With removal of District 1's DCM's last name

GSR TRAINER: DANO

I'm an alcoholic and my name is Dano. I am the SAGSC GSR trainer. To say I haven't wanted this position for a few cycles would be an understatement. My hope is to find the right words from my heart to make these new and returning GSRs hunger for AA as I did and still do. To be able to carry the message of service into groups or even to one individual. Understanding and comprehending the true meaning of a well-informed group conscience. Plugging a group into a direct line of communication with the whole of AA. That each GSR's gift is the guidance it serves to its groups. That service is a sometimes a thankless and tedious task that we regret. And we strive to represent the groups that elected or appointed us to serve in the highest capacity of honor to the program. I take this very seriously. My success will be based on not a single training for one hour, but on the GSR's continued desire to learn and serve at every level of the service structure. These are my hopes and dreams. Thank you for the opportunity to grow in service.

DCM COORDINATOR: FOXX

Good afternoon my family, my name is Foxx, and I am the DCM Coordinator. The newly elected, actually, I was asked if I would like the position. Sometimes when you are out of the room you are elected. Ever since I have had a year in this program, I really got serious. I have done everything that I have been asked to do. Other things, I have sat down and said, "You know what?" I can do a better job than him. He ain't doing it right, Okay, that means you want to do it, then you get into it and it's a whole lot different than what I thought. But I understand what I'm doing once I finish it. That's what its all about. By the time you learn it, you are rotating out. But they asked me to do this position, I am very honored to say, at the least I am very proud. I generally don't turn down anything, so I am happy. Today we had eleven people who actually showed up. We had two on Zoom and nine in the room. We also had someone else step in, I'm not going to point anyone out, she came in a little bit later to tell me she was here. It's all good. We don't shoot anybody. I would like to say just one thing, In National Geographics they always show herds. And anytime someone straggles away from the herd and gets lost, bad things happen. I have learned again, as I say, you guys are my herd. Thank you for helping me to do whatever I can do, you know how to do it better. Please don't mind telling me. Today we discussed what is a DCM and to get a better understanding of it. It's about information, making sure that the GSRs know who to come to with any questions and there's no such thing as a dumb question. It's just a thing of being afraid to ask sometimes. We are here to help each other and encourage each other so AA still stands Thank you very much for allowing me to serve. Next time I'll have a better report for you. Thanks.

AREA 42 TREASURER: JASON

My name is Jason and I'm an alcoholic. I'm the new Area 42 Treasurer. I can be contacted via email, at treasurer@nevadaarea42.org, I can also be located on the Area website contact page. My personal email is xxxxxxxxxx. My phone number is xxx-xxx-xxxx. First a quick update on rotating into my new position. I received all items from our past treasurer, Laura, including the checkbook, binder, and Area's treasurer's computer. I'm still in the process of being added to the bank account, which I hope will be resolved by the end of this week. Also, this week I'm meeting with

Laura to go over Quickbooks, taxes and a few other items I have questions on. In the meantime, I'm getting familiar with the Finance Guidelines and the 2023 budget. Now for some housekeeping items and updates on the actual Area Treasury. Please make Area contribution checks pay to Area 42 Treasury, the mailing address is PO Box 70171, LV, NV 89170. I have flyers and there may still be some on the table if you guys need that information or you can come see me after this. Just as a reminder, we have moved to one treasury. So, no more contributions should be made to NAGSC or SAGSC Treasuries. The current projected timeline for finance committees to transfer the bank balances from SAGS and NAGS to the Area account is the end of February or early March. I will continue to provide updates on the status of the transfer until it has been completed. The Area bank accounts balances as of 12/31/2022 are as follows: checking account \$60,401.53; savings \$10,112.31 total \$70,513.84. The plan for me will be to provide a statement of financial position and the statement of financial income and expenses at all the SAGS and NAGS meetings going forward. That concludes my report. I didn't know I was going to have to do this, but Libby our past SAGS Treasurer has asked me to present the Profit & Loss Statement for SAGS from Jan 2022 through December 2022.

FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIR: ROBERT

Committee Meetings

No Finance committee meetings held during the months of November and December 2022.

SAGSC Checking and Savings Accounts

December 2022 - Reviewed the following documents for SAGSC Checking and Saving accounts:

- Chase Bank Statements
- Bank Reconciliation Reports
- Statements of Activity for Checking and Saving
- Sales By Customer Details

No corrections or errors identified

AREA OFFICER REPORTS:

DELEGATE: JAKE

My name is Jake - I'm alcoholic. I am very honored and privileged to have been elected to serve as the delegate for Area 42 panel, 73. If you are new to General Service, you may be asking yourself what does a delegate do? Alcoholics Anonymous is different than most every other organization in the world. Our service structure is based upon an upside down triangle where the groups of AA are at the very top. In Alcoholics Anonymous, we want every decision to be made by all of the groups of AA. Once a year, there is a big, weeklong meeting that we call the General Service conference. That is where the decisions of Alcoholics Anonymous are made. Obviously, we cannot have a meeting with every single member of Alcoholics Anonymous attending. So the 93 areas of Alcoholics Anonymous in the United States and Canada all elect one delegate to represent their area at the general service conference. The delegate's responsibility is to carry the group conscience of their area to the General Service conference in New York. That is my job and I take my job very seriously. We will be receiving the topics and the background information for all of the items that will be discussed at the General Service conference on February 15. When we receive the background information, we will use our area conference committees to summarize and discuss every item on the agenda. The area conference committees will then recommend what items they think are the most important to our area. These items will be discussed at our area round tables, as well as our area assembly in Tonopah, Nevada. If you are new here today, you are going to hear 5000 new acronyms, and are going to be overwhelmed with a lot more information than you could ever learn in one day... and that is okay. No one expects you to understand everything that is going on here. Just like everything else in Alcoholics Anonymous we take General Service one day at a time. Also, another important thing to understand is that nothing happens quickly inside AA. I could stand up here and talk for the next 3 hours about general service in Alcoholics Anonymous. Luckily for you I'm not going to do that. What I do want to say is that COVID-19 was a huge punch in the face for Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole. This meeting that we are having today would've been illegal to have two years ago. Now that we are back to being able to have meetings and our committees able to actually do their service work I am very excited to get back to doing all of the amazing work that is done in a general service committee. In this meeting today you are going to hear from our standing committee chairs, and they are going to tell us all about all of the wonderful things they have done, and all the things they have planned in order to carry the message to suffering alcoholics this year. This is why I fell in love with General Service and Alcoholics Anonymous. Every delegate is assigned to one of 13 conference committees of the General Service conference. I have been assigned to the public information committee. That means I will be discussing every item on the agenda in the public information committee with our public information committee before the general service conference happens. In our area, we have area conference committees that will be doing the same thing. So, I hope you will volunteer to participate on one of the Area Conference committees. The general service committee is always very busy at the start of the year with receiving, summarizing, and discussing the agenda items that will be discussed at the General Service conference in New York. I am very glad you are all here today. The last thing I will share is something I heard at the pacific region forum in Salt Lake City last year. When we are discussing these General Service conference agenda items, say what you mean, but do not say it mean. In Alcoholics Anonymous

we are not always going to agree on how we should handle certain topics. That is why it's very important for us to discuss these agenda items while keeping an open mind. Listening to what everybody has to say, especially the people we do not agree with. Then, when we take the vote we let the group conscience decide what we will do. And we trust that the group conscience is always right. During this process, nothing that we ever get done will ever be as important as how we treat each other while we do it. Alcoholics Anonymous has saved my life and general service has become a huge part of my program of recovery. Thank you all very much for saving my life and giving me a life worth living. I love you all.

ALT DELEGATE: PAUL

Hi I'm Paul your alcoholic Panel 73 Area 42 Alternate Delegate and I would like to welcome all of the Panel 73 officers, standing committee chairs, GSRs and everyone else that is attending today. I hope everyone had a good holiday season and a happy start to the new year. This is A.A.'s and our Area 42's busy time of the year. Between now and our Area 42 assembly on March 31 thru April 2, there is a lot of service work and information to be disseminated. About 5 years ago our Area 42 started forming Area Conference Committees (ACC) and after the first year we, as an Area, voted to continue this process. This helps get more members involved in the entire General Service Conference agenda item process by summarizing, presenting items and discussing them as an Area. This helps to get our Area 42 Delegate ready for the General Service Conference with the conscience of our Area. Some of you have already signed up for this volunteer service work, there is a saying "many hands make small work". In the next week you will be receiving the assigned committee that you will be on. If anyone is here that has not volunteered yet and would like to get involved, please email me at alternatedelegate@nevadaarea42.org. If you have any questions you can contact me, and I will be more than willing to get you the answers. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

REGISTRAR: LISA

Hi I'm Lisa and an alcoholic. Good afternoon and I am happy to see everyone here at our first SAGSC meeting of the year! I am your new SAGSC registrar for the next two years. I am grateful to be able to serve in this capacity. Really, in any capacity to our area is a blessing for me. I have my first training in the "Fellowship Connect" database this coming Wednesday and will, hopefully, many of your new group change forms, and DCM change forms will be entered into that database. If you need a group change form, I have a few printed copies out or you can download it from our area website and fill it out from the computer, and email or text it to back me. You can reach out to me personally using my phone number that you will find on the roster list or email me at the registrar's email address. You can find that in the area website: Nevadaarea42.org. I wish you all a very happy new year and look forward to seeing your smiling faces for the next two years!

ARCHIVIST: RONNIE D.

Hello everyone, my name is Ron D., and I am an Alcoholic. My sobriety date is December 10, 1999. I am currently serving as your Area 42/ SAGSC Archivist in the third year of a four year term. The archives committee meets every Saturday at 9:15 to 11:15 at Central Office here in Las Vegas. For the past several months we as a committee have been sorting the audio tapes into bins by area 42, Las Vegas, SAGSC, NAGSC and out of area. We have files several thousand tapes into 22 bins ready to be turned into digital files and CD's backed up by a hard drive. The Archives committee presented a display for the Las Vegas Round Up on Thanksgiving Weekend at the Tropicana Hotel. By most accounts this was a great display and over 200 people signed the Archives guest book. Archives has will begin sorting existing files as usual and finishing the emails and attachments for 2022. We will also be sorting the books and media deemed important to place in our fire proof file cabinet we will be purchasing soon. Area 42 has given archives a one thousand dollar increase in our yearly budget and rest assured we will spend every dime to improve your archives. Remember, this is YOUR Archives. We exist to keep a historical record of AA and allow research of our past. This concludes my report. Thank you for listening.

TRANSLATION: DIANA and TONY

My name is Diana and I'm an alcoholic. As most of you already know we have a very large Hispanic AA community with two linguistic Districts – one up in the North and one here in the South. Our Latinos have their own Central Office, Intergroup Representatives, Committee Chairs, Liaisons, DCMs and GSRs. They go to meetings, do service on the group, District and Area level. And they all belong to Area 42 just like yourselves. I serve as the Co-Chair of the Area 42 Translation and Interpretation Committee. Our committee transforms your words - those priceless pieces of information of action-in-service - so we can transcend the barriers of language and culture. Our Hispanic colleagues can now receive and approach information at the same time as our English speaking members. It's taken us a while to get here. Your continued cooperation with us is very important as it's actively inspiring inclusivity, and a greater degree of participation. Serving as a translator for a few years now, I can sense a deeper level of unity in Area 42. We have three bi-lingual members on the committee, the rest – 5 in all - are English-speaking and have become translating super-heroes thanks to computer generated translation and other resources we have at our disposal. If you would like to join our committee, we meet the third Thursday of every month at 5:30 via Zoom. I can give you the Zoom ID and passcode after the meeting. In closing, I want to personally congratulate our new panel of trusted servants. I believe that what you do and share here with all of us are not merely interesting service experiences. This is "much, much more; this is the forming of heart to heart in wonder, in joy, and in everlasting gratitude." * Thank you for everything. **{*Language of the Heart (pg. 295)}**

Our business meeting takes place once a month via Zoom the third Thursday of the month at 5:30.

Hello, my name is Tony, and I am an alcoholic. A Happy and Healthy New Year to all of you. I am honored to be your Translation and Interpretation Committee Chair. First, I want to thank everyone in our committee for translating the reports. Our committee consists of volunteers that translate Area Officer, Committee Member and DCM reports into English and then into Spanish, for our bilingual community. Just a quick reminder to send in your reports to the Secretary so she can forward it to us to be translated into English and then into Spanish. If you are a committee chairperson or a DCM this is for you. Thank you to all our outgoing Committee Members and welcome to all the new GSR's, DCM's and committee Chairs and alternates. I want to welcome our newest committee member Jennifer L. from Las Vegas. I want to again ask anyone that would like to work with us and help us get all reports translated in a timely manner, to please see Dina or Diana after the meeting. We need your cooperation to achieve our goals to include the Hispanic districts. You don't have to be bilingual to help us. In Love and Service,

AREA SECRETARY: JENNIFER

Hi everyone, I'm Jen and I'm an alcoholic. I am your Area Secretary for Panel 73. I just have a real quick thing for all of you DCMs and Area officers, If you can send your reports in so we can get them translated to Secretary@NevadaArea42.org, or my service email xxxxxxxxxxxx. Thank you.

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON REPORTS:

ACCESSIBILITIES: JOAN

Hello everyone, my name is Joan R., and I am your new Accessibilities Chair for the Southern Area. Accessibilities ensures that each and every alcoholic who reaches out for help can grasp the hand that AA extends. Last month, I met with Cynthia, the outgoing chair and received her binder. I also attended the PI/CPC committee meeting for December. By the time of this meeting, I will have taken inventory of the materials and equipment left to this committee. I am still in the process of reading through my guidebook and materials, but I plan to create goals for the committee by the next meeting, so we can put together an actionable plan for outreach to underserved communities in the Southern Region. I also plan to attend PRAASA to learn what other Accessibilities Committees are doing in the Pacific Region. In the meantime, if you have any requests, suggestions, or interest in helping me you can reach me at Joan R., xxx-xxx-xxxx, email xxxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxx.

CPC (COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY): CHRIS

Hello, my name is Chris, I am an Alcoholic and I am the new CPC Committee Chair. This year. We will continue to work with our community partners: Homeless Alliance and Prevention, Advocacy, Choices, Teamwork (PACT Coalition). These agencies have events in various communities, where we can put up a table and speak to attendees about AA, how we can work with the Professional and pass out literature. We have many wonderful opportunities for service commitments to help distribute our literature at these events. Time commitments are small, so please step up if you can. In an effort to create new relationships with the Professional and those organizations concerned with alcohol addiction, we will conduct a round table event on Thursday, March 16, 2023 from 10 AM – 2 PM, here at Central Office. Attendees will include members of the Professions who engage with active alcoholics in their daily work lives and members of the fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous. This will be an informal event wherein we will 1) introduce attendees to the missions and goals of and the available services offered by PI, CPC and Accessibility committees and 2) facilitate an open forum for the Professionals to describe their relationships with the active alcoholic so we can define opportunities for AA and the Professional to establish stronger working relationships. We will publicize the roundtable through Homeless Alliance, PACT Coalition and other alcoholism-focused organizations in Clark County. Within AA, we will utilize Silver Streak for mass communication and the distribution of a flyer early next month. A light lunch and beverages will be served. We intend not to charge a fee to attend, so we will ask for funding to cover the cost of the lunch and beverages. We will submit a budget estimate with the request for funds, shortly. Given that it is a weekday event, we anticipate reasonably good participation by Professionals and hope that members of AA can find the time as well. It will be an in-person event only and will not be conducted hybrid. CPC also intends to support and participate in an informational event later this year hosted by all three committees (PI, CPC, Accessibility). The intent is to introduce each committee's mission, goals and service opportunities to members of the fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous. The workings and accomplishments of our three committees continue to be understated and warrant a stronger voice within the fellowship. More information will be forthcoming. Committee members continue to participate in CPC North America that meets quarterly. These meetings offer ideas on what other parts of the country are doing to bring the AA message to other parts of the country. Lastly, we continue to welcome more volunteers. Service commitments range from occasional ministerial tasks, or single couple hour events, to continued support – it's all up to you how much time and effort you want to give – all is welcome! Please come to our meetings and see what we are all about and share any ideas you may have. We meet on the 2nd Monday of every month at 4:30 both in person at Central Office and on Zoom. Respectfully, yours in service.

PI (PUBLIC INFORMATION): ROBIN

Hello: My name is Robin, I am an Alcoholic and the Public Information Chair (PI). This early in the year we are wrapping up some past PI projects. 1) Targeting High Schools with information on Teenage Drinking. It was decided at our November meeting that we would scale back the number of high schools to 10. Before we send pamphlets John will identify who should receive the information, Principal, Guidance Counselor, Nurse, etc. This project continues to be worked on by John. 2) We will be conducting an informational workshop. However, this will be scheduled later in the year. We have been asked to assist Intermountain Health Care in bringing an AA Meeting into their clinic. However, this project is just starting, I believe it will be a while before its complete. Public Information has been asked to lead a Friends of Bill W meeting at the Mirage Hotel on the morning of April 24-27 from 6:30AM to 7:15AM. This request came for the "2023 Ninth Regular Convention of the United Food and Commercial Workers International Union". We will need approximately 4 AA participants per meeting, I DO NEED VOLUNTEERS, please contact me if you can help. We have been asked to participate in the Green Valley Methodist Church health fair late in the spring, more to follow on that. We continue to work with our community partners: Homeless Alliance and Prevention, Advocacy, Choices, Teamwork (PACT Coalition). These agencies have events in various communities, we can put up a table and speak to attendees about AA and pass out literature. These two organizations work with both CPC & PI, we do overlap on activities. Committee members are continuing to participate in CPC/PI North America that meets quarterly. These meetings offer ideas on what other parts of the country are doing to bring the AA message to more people still suffering. We have filled the group secretary position, Larissa G has stepped up to fill this much needed position. Please come to our meetings and see what we are all about and share any ideas you may have. We meet on the 2nd Monday of every month at 4:30, right before Intergroup. in person at Central Office and zoom. Respectfully, in gratitude.

GRAPEVINE: HEATHER

I am thrilled to take on this service role. I have had a love for Grapevine since early in my sobriety (05/14/18). I have had several roles in service: Chairperson, Intergroup, Grapevine Rep, GSR, District Workshop Co-chair, District Secretary, District Grapevine Chair, Roundup Marathon Chair. I have loved them all, but involvement with Grapevine tops the list. I look forward to organizing workshops and encouraging more participation in GV over the next couple of years. *Carrying the Message* through the GV literature is near and dear to my heart! Jason M. and I have corresponded several times in November and December and will meet in January to transfer duties and supply lists over. Jason will acclimate me on the sales and we will wrap up any bookkeeping. It was nice that he and I were able to spend time together during the Roundup and catch up. We have always had a nice supportive relationship and I am sure that he will be available to answer questions as I transition into this position. After talking to several GV Reps it was decided to change the day that the group meets, via zoom, to Tuesday, rather than Friday. Maybe this will be a more favorable meeting day going forward. Thank you.

LA VIÑA: LEO

My name is Leo, and I am an alcoholic and the Chair of La Viña. To our colleagues in Alcoholics Anonymous from Southern Area 42 – as always, we wish you many 24 hours in sobriety and thank you for your service in the A.A. community. The La Viña committee will be meeting at the District 21 location. We are motivated to form a work plan, a calendar with dates, and places where we will hold planned meetings with personal story writing workshops for La Viña. We are planning to visit the home groups in District 21 to keep them informed about how important the magazine is as a 12th Step tool. We will also be supporting the anniversaries of the magazine at the Pacific Region level. The twenty-seventh anniversary will be celebrated on July 21, 21 and 23 in Wilsonville, Oregon. And, of course, we will keep our Area 42 informed of our activities. The previous committee gave us enough literature to continue serving and passing on the AA message. Compañeros, thank you very much for your attention, because "This we owe to A.A.'s future: To place our common welfare first: To keep our fellowship united. For on A.A. unity depend our lives, And the lives of those to come."

COMMITTEE LIAISONS

H&I (HOSPITALS & INSTITUTIONS): ANDREW

My name is Andrew, and I am an alcoholic. H&I is doing well. Contributions have been steady. Thank you all that contribute to the pink can. It allows us to carry the message to people that can't get out to a regular AA meeting. On the treatment side we are continuing to add facilities. So there is an opportunity for our fellows that are interested in H&I to carry the message. If you are interested we have a business meeting at Central Office on the third Tuesday of every month at 6:00 PM. 5:PM for new H&I members orientation. On the corrections side most facilities have finally opened. We could use some of our fellows especially women to fill these panels. The state facilities require a background check, TB testing, and an orientation. The jails require a background check. If you would more information you call me at XXX-XXX-XXXX or Email me at XXXXXXXXXX. Thank you for letting be of service.

LAS VEGAS INTERGROUP LIAISON: AMANDA

I want to introduce myself as the new General Service Liaison for Southern Area 42 Intergroup. I want to thank Caroline for all of her

service over the past two years and am thankful for her guidance as I roll into this position. I was most recently the Intergroup Secretary for the past two years (and currently continuing to fill in until we get a new Secretary to take my place.) I look forward to learning more and growing in this new position. Las Vegas Intergroup met on Monday, December 12, 2023 at Central Office with 25 group representatives in attendance. The next Intergroup meeting is the day after SAGSC – January 9, 2023.

Central Office

- Please help keep the meeting schedule up to date. Contact Judy at Central Office for any changes to your meeting time/place or if you have a new meeting that needs to be added to the schedule. www.lvcentraloffice.org.
- Currently, there are open hotline shifts available in office:
 - Monday: 8 am – 12 pm
 - Tuesday: 12 pm – 4 pm
 - Wednesday: 12 pm - 4 pm
 - Friday: 8 am – 12 pm and 12 pm -4 pm
- Literature at Central Office
 - December's Book(s) of the Month: The Best of Grapevine Book Bundle for \$15
 - Central Office sells Spanish AA literature.
- Judy will also be creating some new items for Central Office, which will be free of charge:
 - AA Meetings in a Pocket
 - Big Book Index
 - And information for people being sent to AA by a judge or the court system
- Intergroup elected new committee chairs for 2023:
 - Chair: Bill S.
 - Co-Chair: Jason W.
 - Secretary: (someone was elected and stepped down.) Amanda V. will continue to fill in until we find a new Secretary. Please reach out to Amanda V. or Judy P. if you're interested.
 - Co-Secretary: (someone was elected and stepped down.) Please contact Judy or Amanda if you're interested in this commitment
 - Unity Chair: Mara B.
 - General Service Liaison: Amanda V.
 - Hotline Chair: Saul A.
 - Hotline Co-Chair/12-Step List: Todd
 - Intergroup Outreach: Scott B.
- If you are planning to have an AA-related event, workshop or need a new home for your AA meeting, please contact Central Office. The contribution to use the meeting room is 40% of the 7th Tradition collected.
- Continue to send your upcoming event fliers to Central Office. Email: centraloffice@gmail.com or the office number 702-780-4293.
- Be sure to check out the new look of the *Silver Streak* (Central Office newsletter)! Welcome to our new editor Michael L. and his two new co-editors Devin K. and Bret S. They are introducing two new columns: "30 Day Reflection" and "General Service Corner". These are in addition to the current columns (for which they are always looking for submissions): contributions on the Steps, Traditions, committee meetings, "Meeting in the Spotlight," "Ask an Old Timer", event flyers – anything that can be helpful to our fellowship. Please send your submission in by the 20th of each month to: slvrstrklv@gmail.com.
- The Hotline is actively looking for volunteers. Please reach out to centralofficehotline@gmail.com or call/text Saul A. at XXX-XXX-XXXX or the hotline at 702-598-1888 if you'd like to be of service. We need help and you don't have to necessarily answer the phone calls directly.

Board of Directors

- Bob F. is rotating out as Treasurer this month. A new Treasurer for the Board will be elected at their first meeting in the New Year. Due to the timing of their meeting, Bob will most likely be preparing the financials for this December.
- The Treasurer presented the November financials. The P&L shows a small loss of \$300, but for the year, it shows positive about \$15,000.
- The new budget for 2023 was presented. (Available upon request.)
- The Board selected two new members to join the Board – Janell O. and Donna R. They will be assuming the roles of Bryce B. and Bob F., who are rotating out as of Dec 31st. Bryce and Bob have been valuable members of our Board for the past three years, with their service contributing to the Board and Central Office now running trouble-free with a smooth future ahead of us.
- Central Office is in very good condition, with the only need being for more phone volunteers both in the office and hotline calls for after-office hours (evenings and weekends.)

LVYPAA LIAISON: SAMANTHA

Hello, my name is Samantha and I am an alcoholic. I currently serve as the LVYPAA (Las Vegas Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous) general service liaison. LVYPAA has been active over the last few months, cohosting events in Reno with NACYPA 2 host committee, District 13's New Year's Eve event, and hosting an alcathon meeting at Choices fellowship on Christmas Day and New Year's Day. We have an upcoming scavenger hunt for the kids at APG, it is a free event for all to attend, it will be held on January 28 at 2:00 pm at APG, I have a flier for anyone who might want one. Also in January, we are co-hosting the annual YUMA kickball tournament in YUMA Arizona, with other YPAA committees from across the West coast. In February, we will be cohosting a spaghetti dinner with District 13, in collaboration with our annual Dance and Date Auction (more information about that event to come). At our last business meeting we voted to start a Young Peoples meeting (more details to come) meaning a registered meeting, with a GSR! LVYPAA meets the first Sunday of every month at Central Office at 1:30. If you would like to know more about LVYPAA or even take a position please join us. We are also currently looking for any local area events to cohost, please reach out to me if your district or meeting would like LVYPAA's help! Thank you for letting me be of service

DCM REPORTS:

DISTRICT 1: LOU

Good afternoon, my name is Lou and I'm an alcoholic. I am the new DCM for District One. I am excited and humbled by the opportunity to serve the district I've been a member of my entire 6 year sober life. Thanks Jake, our Area 42 delegate for presiding over our elections last month. We have a great group of people willing to step up and we filled all positions. We also conducted a workshop in December, where the topic was appropriately about Unity in AA. It was extremely well received and attended by approximately 100 people. Thank you, Craig C., and Bobby F. for making that happen. We are planning for 3 or 4 workshops this year. We'd love to do a joint workshop with another district... if you're interested, please let me or Kevin L. know. The District One website has not been updated for several years and isn't as user friendly as it could be. Therefore, a committee has been formed to revamp that website to be a more useful and up-to-date resource for our GSRs and members. Financially the District is doing well. We have been able to help GSRs whose groups were unable to fully fund their Assembly attendance. In addition, we were able to contribute excess funds to GSO and Intergroup. In conclusion I'd like to thank Marty B., my predecessor, for letting me tag along these last few months. Additionally, I'd like to thank District One members (the best district in Area 42) for giving me the privilege to serve.

DISTRICT 3: SHANE

Shane, alcoholic. I'm honored to be representing District 3. Admittedly, I'm very new to this position. So I really I don't have a lot to say, just going off the meeting minutes from the last meeting, November 20th. We meet once a month, usually the 2nd Saturday of the month. Right now, what we are trying to do is to get more groups in our district involved because participation right now at the District level has been pretty scarce. I don't have as many details as the guy before me. Any questions?

DISTRICT 5B: SAMANTHA

Good afternoon, my name is Samantha, and I am an alcoholic. I am your new DCM for District 5b. On December 10th 2022 District 5b held our elections, and I am pleased to announce that all of our members stood up to be of Service!! We hold our monthly service manual step study every third Saturday of the month 10am on Zoom. Meeting ID: 911 603 2610 and Passcode: Service, we would love for you to come and join us. Our monthly district meeting is held the 2nd Saturday of the month at choices fellowship at 1:15pm. This is my first month as DCM so I will make this short and sweet. I am honored to be a part of district 5b, area 42, and am looking forward to having the opportunity to serve you for the next 2 years.

DISTRICT 7: TAYTAY

Hello, I am TayTay and I am an alcoholic. I am the new DCM for District 7. I am grateful for this opportunity and so excited to serve for the next 2 years in this district as well as in General Service in this way. In the late 9130s, a small office in Newark, N.J. staffed by co-founder Bill W. and a secretary, was enough to maintain contact among the first 100 A.A. members. If only they could see us today. The passion for the people we serve is palpable in this room. Thank you for allowing me to be a small part of that. District 7 was busy last year with workshops, the picnic, and find ways to be good stewards, and the next two years will be no different. We are planning workshops again this year. I am hoping to do one on H&I, one on CPC/PI, one on Intergroup, and one on Grapevine. I'm hoping to have all the districts be a part of this since it's so important to what we are doing for the still suffering alcoholic. We will let you all know when it's time for these workshops. It will be a blast. One of the things I'm most excited about starting in our district is having people be mentors for new people to General Service in our District Not sure if they will be Big Brothers, Big Sisters, or Mentors, but I know how overwhelming it can be to be a new GSR. I was an Alt GSR in 2009 and slid into the GSR position when my GSR dropped out. I had no idea what I was doing other than going to Tonopah. It wasn't until I became GSR again at the end of 2021 that I learned all that General Service actually is because of the people I knew from Tonopah way back when had dove in over the years. Knowing what you are doing, what a General Service Manual is, what SAGSC stands for, how big district 7 actually is, and what a General Service Sponsor is, all of these things aren't known when your group elects you as GSR. I feel this is going to be big in

growing our district's participation and moving forward with GSRs for more of our groups. I'm excited to see how this grows. If any of your districts already do something like this, I would love to pick your brains! Please contact me. One big thing we have recently done as District 7 is take our surplus and distribute to the other districts. Juan, our new District 7 Treasurer is here today and would love to be in contact with those in Districts 3, 5B, 9, 11, 15 and 17. We have money for your districts and want to make sure you have either received the checks or give them to you today. Please see him! The other districts are already taken care of, if that is incorrect, see Juan! I am very much looking forward to getting to know you all and for PRAASA, Round Tables, and Area 42 Meetings over the next two years. Again, thank you for letting me be a part of this, I really am so excited!

DISTRICT 9: JO (Reported by Hamlin)

Jo couldn't make it because she had to work. My name is Hamlin and I'm an alcoholic. I'm a member in good standing in Alcoholics Anonymous. What we did yesterday, we're meeting on Saturdays District 9, we continue to carry on the work that Dano set up so well. She is going to go to Tonopah. They're considering sending someone to PRAASA. We're trying to reach out to all the people in Intergroup and GSRs to have anybody in our District to show up to the meeting. The meeting is the first Saturday here at 1:30. It was a good meeting yesterday. The reason she's not here is work. She emailed a couple of people to give her report but obviously it didn't get done so I showed up, I said something and I'll sit down now.

DISTRICT 11:

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 13: MATT

My name is Matt and I'm an alcoholic. I was totally unprepared today, so I have to wing it. As a lot of you may know District 13 has been dark for quite some time. It's my great pleasure to report to you that is no longer the case. Towards the end of late November, we had a service event where we turned the lights back on. I'd like to thank Jake very much for attending that and helping so much to start it on the right foot. It was valuable and much appreciated. Thanks Jake. At the end of that meeting, I was very surprised to find myself elected as the new DCM for District 13. It's an honor and a privilege. I was even more pleasantly surprised to find we were able to fill a lot of positions at that meeting. We have a treasurer. We have a secretary, and we were able to fill the committee. So, we are off to a good start. Our first business meeting is actually this coming Sunday the 15th, so hopefully we will be able to have a full report the next time we gather here. We have a lot of interest and a lot of hope moving forward. District 13 is very centralized at the Triangle Club. The meetings there are long standing and have a lot of support. I was very happy to see most of them have GSRs. I would like to thank District 1 for taking us into their fold and providing a home for our GSRs. We are looking forward to working with them and to continue to work with them in putting on events and coming together in unity. Also, that goes for all the districts down here today. Thank you very much. For us it's about learning and growing. I'd like to thank everybody for the help given, the help offered, we need all we can get. I appreciate that very much. We open to ideas and strategies on how to encourage our groups to elect GSRs and putting on service events in the future going forward. Like I said before, we are very optimistic. Hopefully we'll be able to provide general service to our members and our groups moving forward. Thank you for letting me be of service.

DISTRICT 15: LORA

Hi, my name is Lora and I'm an Alcoholic. And the new DCM for District 15. My Sobriety date is 10-19-2015. I'm excited for this new service commitment for our area and grateful. Thanks to my predecessor, Theresa B., for her encouragement and belief in me. I have great support in our district and of course our area. I'm looking forward to the next 2 years. Gratitude and prayers for the growth and changes to come for our district and A.A. as a whole. I'm feeling the love knowing that if I reach out for any reason the hand of A.A. will be there. At the T.I.E Club the district celebrated Christmas and New Year's alcahons and was well participated. Unfortunately, I wasn't able to attend. My Mother was hospitalized during that time. Much gratitude to District 7 for the contribution to our district. Thanks to my Higher Power for always being there.

DISTRICT 17: LINN

Hello everyone, my name is Linn and I'm an alcoholic. I'm the new DCM for District 17 in Pahrump. I was reminded of the importance of who's in charge. I wasn't sure how to run for election. I want to thank Jenn who told me to leave it up to Higher Power, my God. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve. Will do my best following Foxx, a dedicated and successful DCM, who has brought unity to our District. So, looking forward, we will have a guest Speaker on January 29 at the Methodist Church at 2pm. It will be our very own Dano! We're only an hour away, once you get out of Las Vegas traffic. Hope you can it. We will have donuts before, pizza after and plenty of fellowshiping. Thank you. AA strong. Hwy 372 and Pahrump Valley Blvd on the corner.

DISTRICT 19: ANNE

Hello and happy 24 hours from District 19. My name is Anne, and I am the new DCM. It is an honor to be here. Please help me welcome our two new GSRs Shannon K. and Marty M. For those of you who might not be familiar with District 19, we are White Pine

County. We cover about 8,876 square miles or about .08 percent of the state of Nevada. The towns that are included in our district include Ely, McGill, Ruth, Eureka and Baker which is right outside of Great Basin National Park – the youngest and least visited park in the system. We currently have five AA meetings per week which includes one speaker meeting the fourth Saturday of the month and one hybrid meeting on the second Thursday of the month. Our district includes three active groups with roughly 20 members who attend on a regular basis. I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to our outgoing DCM, Jim C. He guided our quiet district into Area 42 general service and up and out of COVID. Under his watch, District 19 started the annual Camp Nic at Ward Mountain which we are planning again this year. Please mark your calendars for July 21-22. He was also part of starting up the Weekend Warriors Group Saturday Speaker Meeting and Happy Half Hour which happens on the fourth Saturday of the month. Jim also worked with H&I and Bridging the Gap to get some amazing literature into the hands of the drug court, the county jail. Jim also helped the district start a Grapevine Anniversary Subscription program where everyone who celebrates an anniversary in our district receives a Grapevine subscription if they don't have one already. (I think we have arranged for about eight of these subscriptions so far.) Finally, I would like to say BIG, BIG thank you to District 7 for its generous contribution to our district. We are a small fellowship so 300 is an incredibly impactful gift for us. If you would like to learn more about District 19, please visit our website elyaa.org. Yours in love and continued service,

DISTRICT 21: ROY

Good afternoon my name is Rodolfo C. My AA family and friends call me Roy and I am an alcoholic. I am honored to serve as the new DCM of District 21. We wish to inform you that we have already created the new La Viña Committee that will work with us for the next two years. We have our colleague, Leo, as the liaison to the twenty-seventh anniversary of La Viña which will be taking place on July 21, 22 and 23, 2023 in Wilsonville, Oregon. We also have established the committee for our local Hispanic Forum which will be held in May. We are working to put together the Hospitals & Institutions Committee. We began visiting AA groups so that each of them sends their respective GSR to the District 21 meetings which are held every Thursday of the month. We are motivating our community to attend PRAASA. Many thanks to the trusted servants in area 42 for keeping us informed of upcoming events.

OLD BUSINESS:

GUIDELINE CHANGES PROCEDURE – CAROLINE

SAGSC Guidelines can be found on the Area 42 website: Nevadaarea42.org. The process for changing the guidelines includes two readings. The first reading is to introduce the change and only allows for questions to clarify what is being changed, there is no discussion. At the second reading discussion are allowed and we vote to accept or reject the guideline change(s).

GUIDELINE CHANGE - PROPOSAL FOR LA VIÑA COMMITTEES – SECOND READING – JASON (Wording change sent under separate cover)

The La Viña Ad Hoc Committee proposes the creation of two (2) La Viña committees complete with Chair positions, one in the North and one in the South. The purpose of this proposal is to bring La Viña into parity with NAGSC and SAGSC Grapevine committees. The La Viña committee chairs' duties would be the same as the Grapevine chairs and will be to represent La Viña at Area, SAGSC and NAGSC events. The La Viña Chairs should be fully funded, voting members of the area committee. The newly formed NAGSC and SAGSC La Viña committees should be included in the Area budget process. As our Area grows and matures it is time to recognize the value, passion and efforts of those who have been carrying the La Viña message and give them parity with the Grapevine committees efforts. The area Ad Hoc committee is tasked with recommending ways to create parity. To achieve this, we are proposing to both NAGSC and SAGSC to create La Viña committees complete with Chair positions and that the Area 42, NAGSC and SAGSC guidelines recognize the chair positions. Finally that the new La Viña Committees and Chairs are financially supported by appropriate budgets.

History: For several years dedicated individuals have been carrying the La Viña message to Area 42 with no support from the Area. They have put together story writing workshops. They have been bringing La Viña publications displays to our assemblies. And in general, carrying the La Viña message to the Area and beyond as they have also been active in promoting La Viña to the Pacific Region.

This is the second reading. Motion & seconded to accept Guideline Change: PASSED

GRAPEVINE DISCUSSION ON POSITION – JONELLE

Withdrawn from discussion

NEW BUSINESS:

GUIDELINE CHANGE - PROPOSAL FOR SAGSC TECH CHAIR – FIRST READING - ANDREW

Objective: To create the SAGSC Technology Chair position.

Background: During the shutdown from the pandemic starting in 2020, Area 42 replaced in-person meetings with virtual meetings. As Nevada began opening up, the assemblies, SAGSC, and NAGSC meetings changed to a hybrid format (in-person and virtual, combined). At the September 2022 Area Assembly, a Technology committee was formed to assist the trusted servants of Area 42 with any questions or situations that might arise concerning technological equipment owned by and services subscribed to by Area 42. The technological equipment will include, but is not to be limited to, translation equipment, computing devices and accessories, including audio and visual accessories (where possible) necessary to provide virtual access to Area assemblies and meetings. Additionally, the Area Technology Committee will address technological issues that might arise or be brought forward in the future by members of Area 42.

Per the Area 42 Guidelines, the Technology Committee consists of the:

- Area Technology Chair,
- Alternate Technology Chair,
- NAGSC Technology Chair (appointed by NAGSC Chair), and
- SAGSC Technology Chair (appointed by SAGSC Chair).

Proposed Changes to the SAGSC Guidelines: **Additions** vs **Deletions**. The only text being changed is listed below. The remaining Guidelines stay intact.

IV VOTING MEMBERS AND PROCEDURES

B. If residing in or elected from the South, the following, or their alternates, shall be full voting members of SAGSC:

3. Newsletter Editor, ~~and~~ Web Servant, **and Technology Chair.**
4. Southern Area Officers:
 - a. Chairperson:
 - v. Appoints the:
 - (3) Technology Chair;**
 - (4) Ad Hoc Committees as needed, and**
 - (5) When a SAGSC Standing Committee is unable to fill a Chair position, appoints the appropriate Chair.**
5. Appointed Positions:
 - c. **Technology Chair:**
 - i. **Provide technical support in planning and facilitating SAGSC meetings, including use of virtual communication platforms and technical assistance with venue equipment.**
 - ii. **Assist SAGSC officers with technical support on SAGSC or Area-provided computer devices and translation equipment.**
 - iii. **Be responsible for storing and overseeing the transportation of equipment to events.**

THANK YOU DISTRICT 5B FOR HOSTING... The next host will be DISTRICT 1.

CLOSE WITH RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION

SAGSC DATES:

In person at Las Vegas Central Office, 1515 E. Tropicana, Suite 710, Las Vegas, NV 89119

Zoom ID: 876 2363 7945 Passcode: sagsc

March 3~5 – PRAASA

March 19 – SAGSC Round Tables

March 31 ~ April 2 – Area 42 Assembly

May 21 – SAGSC

July 9 – SAGSC

September 8 ~ 10 – Area 42 Assembly

November 12 – SAGSC